

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. One-sided programs, like "Stolen Honor", do not serve the public interest and are harmful to our democracy. I would feel the same way if a similar Broadcast Group using free Public Airwaves were trying to broadcast Fahrenheit 9/11 right before the election.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more public input and oversight.

Thank you.